

2012 Exception List: Countries at Low Risk for TB

Foreign-born persons from countries with high TB incidence are among the groups that should be screened for TB and TB infection. The CDC defines high risk countries as those with 20 or more TB cases per 100,000 population. Individuals from countries with less than 20 TB cases per 100,000 should only be tested if they are symptomatic or have an individual risk factor for acquiring TB infection or progressing to TB disease.



2012 Exception Listⁱ					
Test for Latent TB Infection only if Symptomatic or an Additional Individual Risk Factor is Present					
African Region	American Regionⁱⁱ	Eastern Mediterranean	European Region	Western Pacific Region	SE Asia Region
Egypt	Antigua & Barbuda Aruba Bahamas Barbados Bermuda Canada Caymen Islands Chile Costa Rica Cuba Curacao Dominica Grenada Jamaica Montserrat Puerto Rico Saint Kitts & Nevis Saint Lucia Trinidad & Tobago United States Virgin Islands (US & BR)	Israel Jordan Lebanon Oman Saudi Arabia United Arab Emirates West Bank and Gaza	Albania Andorra Austria Belgium Cyprus Czech Republic Denmark Finland France Germany Greece Hungary Iceland Ireland Italy Luxembourg Malta Monaco Montenegro Netherlands Norway San Marino Serbia Slovakia Slovenia Spain Sweden Switzerland United Kingdom	American Samoa Australia Cook Islands New Zealand Samoa Tokatau Tonga	No exception countries

ⁱ Based on CDC guidance. High risk countries have a case rate of ≥ 20 per 100,000.

ⁱⁱ Mexico currently meets the criteria for the exception list but was not added due to the contribution of Mexico to the number of cases in Virginia.